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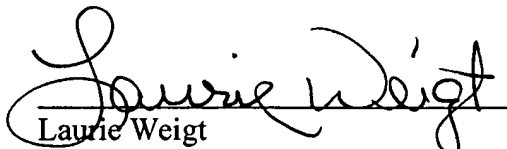
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Title: METHOD FOR DETERMINING ALLELES  
Appl. No.: 09/943,416  
Appl. Filing Date: 08/30/2001  
Examiner: Strzelecka, Teresa E.  
Art Unit: 1637

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**TRANSMITTAL**

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P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or § 146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

- ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on \_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on \_\_\_\_ but not considered.

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☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_.

☐ Other \_\_\_\_.

b. Enclosed are:

☒ Amendment/Reply.

☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).

☐ Information Disclosure Statement.

☐ Form PTO-1449 with copies of \_\_\_\_ listed reference(s).

☒ Other - Cited Dictionary Pages (definitions).

Miscellaneous:

☐ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
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Total Claims:	18	- 21	=0	x \$18.00	= \$0.00
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First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				+ \$290.00	= \$0.00
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☒ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-2350. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 50-2350.

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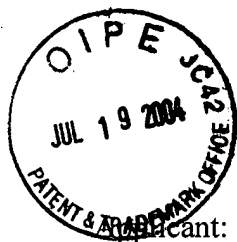
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**SUBMISSION ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the final Office Action dated February 18, 2004, concerning the above-referenced patent application. The three-month shortened statutory period for response to the Office Action was set to expire on May 18, 2004, and with the acceptance of the accompanying petition and fee applicant believes that this response is timely filed. No additional fee is believed to be due for this filing; however, should any additional fee be due, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge such fees to deposit account No. 50-2350. Additionally, should no separate petition for an extension of time accompany the present Reply or the petition be improper, applicant hereby petitions for extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorize payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2350 in order to make this communication timely. For the purpose of charging said deposit account, duplicates of pages 1 and the signature page of this response are submitted herewith.

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**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this document

**Listing of the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 8 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this document.